

House File 388 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act assessing a mediation fee in small claims cases.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
3 TLSB 2366HH 83
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1 1 Section 1. Section 602.8105, subsection 1, paragraph d,
1 2 Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:
1 3 d. For filing and docketing a small claims action and for
1 4 small claims mediation, the amounts specified in section
1 5 631.6.
1 6 Sec. 2. Section 631.6, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended
1 7 by adding the following new paragraph:
1 8 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. Fees for mediation shall be twenty-five
1 9 dollars to be collected if a mediator is used.
1 10 Sec. 3. Section 631.6, Code 2009, is amended by adding the
1 11 following new subsection:
1 12 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. The amount collected for mediation in
1 13 the action shall be distributed to the mediator used in the
1 14 action.
1 15 EXPLANATION
1 16 This bill assesses a mediation fee in small claims cases.
1 17 The bill imposes a \$25 mediation fee upon the filing of a
1 18 small claims case which shall be assessed as a court cost in
1 19 the case if a mediator is used. The bill requires the
1 20 mediation fee be distributed to the mediator used in the case.
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